REMARKS

1. Reconsideration and further prosecution of the aboveidentified application are respectfully requested in view of the amendments and discussion that follows. Claims 1-2 and 4-10 are pending in this application.

Claim 5-10 have been rejected under 35 U.S.C. §112, second paragraph. Claims 1,2 and 4 have been allowed.

- 2. Claim 5-10 have been rejected under 35 U.S.C. §112, second paragraph. In particular, claims 5-10 depend upon a cancelled claim. In response, claims 5-10 have been amended to depend upon claim 1.
- 3. Allowance of claims 5-10, as now presented, is believed to be in order and such action is earnestly solicited. Should the Examiner be of the opinion that a telephone conference would expedite prosecution of the subject application, he is respectfully requested to telephone applicant's undersigned attorney.

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